## Michigan Department of Treasury 496 (02/06) Auditing Procedures Report

Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended and P.A. 71 of 1919, as amended.												
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	Coun	ty	☐City	<b>⊠</b> Twp	□Village	Other	Township	of Onota, Michigar	ו	Alger		
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We affirm that:												
We are certified public accountants licensed to p					licensed to p	ractice in N	∕lichigan.					
We further affirm the following material, "no" resp Management Letter (report of comments and rec								sed in the financial s	tatements, includ	ling the notes, or in the		
	YES	8	Check ea	ch applic	able box belo	ow. (See ir	nstructions fo	further detail.)				
1.	$\boxtimes$				ent units/fund s to the financ				ne financial stater	ments and/or disclosed in the		
2.		×						unit's unreserved fund budget for expenditu		stricted net assets		
3.	×	☐ The local unit is in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury.							Treasury.			
4.	$\boxtimes$		The local	unit has a	dopted a budg	jet for all r	equired funds	i,				
5.	×	$\Box$	A public h	earing on	the budget wa	as held in a	accordance w	ith State statute				
6.	X	<ul> <li>A public hearing on the budget was held in accordance with State statute.</li> <li>The local unit has not violated the Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division.</li> </ul>							y Municipal Loan Act, or			
7.	X								er taxing unit.			
8.	×		The local	unit only h	olds deposits/	investmen	its that compl	comply with statutory requirements.				
9.	×			cal unit has no illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to our attention as defined in the Bulletin for of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin).						in the Bulletin for		
10.  There are no indications of defalcation, fraud or embezzlement, which came to our attention dur that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division (LAFD). If not been communicated, please submit a separate report under separate cover.												
11.		X	The local	unit is free	of repeated o	omments	from previous	years.				
12.	X		The audit	opinion is	UNQUALIFIE	D.						
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# ONOTA TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Onota Township, Michigan E1461 Deerton-Sand Lake Road Deerton, Michigan 49822

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Onota, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township of Onota, Michigan's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Onota, Michigan as of March 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report September 20, 2007, on our consideration of the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Onota Township, Michigan

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 5 through 9 and 27 through 29 are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Onota, Michigan's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund statements and schedules as listed in the accompanying table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Township of Onota, Michigan. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

September 20, 2007

## Township of Onota, Michigan MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

Our discussion and analysis of the Onota Township's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the year ended March 31, 2007. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which begin on page 10.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Net assets for the Township as a whole increased by \$35,015 or 7 percent in 2007 compared to \$39,742 or 9 percent in 2005 as a result of this year's operations.
- During the year, the Township had expenses for governmental activities that were \$172,487 in 2007, compared to \$188,321 in 2005.
- The General Fund reported a net fund balance of \$299,357. This was \$208,107 higher than the forecasted decrease of \$186,680.

#### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (on pages 10 and 11) provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 12. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for the future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

#### Reporting the Township as a Whole

Our analysis of the Township as a whole begins on page 6. One of the most important questions asked about the Township's finances is "Is the Township as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the Township as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include *all* assets and liabilities using the *accrual basis of accounting*, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the Township's *net assets* and changes in them. You can think of the Township's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the Township's financial health, or *financial position*. Over time, *increases or decreases* in the Township's net assets are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the Township's patron base and the condition of the Township's capital assets, to assess the *overall financial health* of the Township.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, we divide the Township into two kinds of activities:

 Governmental Activities – Most of the Township's basic services are reported here, including the legislative, elections, public safety, public works, recreation and culture, community and economic development and general services and administration. Property taxes, charges for services and state sources fund most of these activities.

 Business-Type Activities – The Township charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The Township has no business-type activities.

#### Reporting the Township's Most Significant Funds

Our analysis of the Township's major funds begins on page 8. The fund financial statements begin on page 12 and provide detailed information on the most significant funds – not the Township as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Township Board establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using taxes, grants, and other money. The Township's two kinds of funds - *governmental* and *proprietary* - use different accounting approaches.

- Governmental funds Most of the Township's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted into cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Township's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation which follows the fund financial statements.
- Proprietary funds When the Township charges customers for the services it provides

   whether to outside customers or to other units of the Township these services are
   generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same
   way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of
   Activities. In fact, the Township's enterprise funds (a component of proprietary funds)
   are the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide
   statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows, for
   proprietary funds. The Township currently does not have any Proprietary Funds.

#### The Township as Trustee

The Township is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that – because of a trust arrangement – can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. All of the Township's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Assets on page 16. We exclude these activities from the Township's other financial statements because the Township cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The Township is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

#### The Township as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Township's net assets as of March 31, 2007 in comparison to March 31, 2005.

Table 1

	Governmental	C
	O VOI III IOI II COI	Governmental
	Activities - 2007	Activities - 2005
Current and other assets	\$470,637	\$390,060
Capital assets, net	65,325	99,401
Total Assets	535,962	489,461
	Governmental	Governmental
	Activities – 2007	Activities – 2005
Current liabilities	9,324	6,530
Non-current liabilities	_	,400
Total Liabilities	9,324	6,530
Net Assets: Invested in capital		
assets, net of related debt	65,325	99,401
Restricted	-	ne.
Unrestricted (deficit)	461,313	383,530
Total Net Assets	\$526,638	\$482,931

Net assets of the Township's governmental activities stood at \$526,638. *Unrestricted* net assets—the part of net assets that could be used to finance day-to-day activities without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements stood at \$461,313.

The \$461,313 in unrestricted net assets of governmental activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net assets from year to year.

The results of this year's operations for the Township as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities (see Table 2), which shows the changes in net assets for fiscal years ended 2007 and 2005.

Table 2 Change in Net Assets

	<del>-</del>	ernmental ities - 2007	Governmental Activities - 2005
Revenues			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for services		\$2,984	\$3,404
Operating grants		6,792	-
General Revenues:			
Property taxes		158,642	160,131
State Sources		21,265	21,738
Interest and Miscellaneous		17,819	42,790
To	al Revenues	207,502	228,063

	Governmental	Governmental
	Activities - 2007	Activities - 2005
Program Expenses:		
Legislative	\$7,393	\$8,358
Elections	2,492	3,063
General Services and Administration	56,169	55,922
Public Safety	37,129	69,076
Public Works	45,603	30,673
Community & Economic Development	4,675	7,406
Recreation and Culture	300	200
Other	18,726	13,623
Total Expenses	172,487	188,321
Increase (decrease) in net assets	35,015	39,742
Net assets, beginning	491,623	443,189
Net Assets, Ending	\$526,638	\$482,931

The Township's total revenues were \$207,502. The total cost of all programs and services was \$172,487, leaving an increase in net assets of \$35,015. Our analysis below considers the operations of governmental activities:

#### Governmental Activities

The net assets of the Township's governmental activities increased \$35,015 for the year ended March 31, 2007.

The increase of \$35,015 is due to the Township's fund net income and recording of depreciation expense of \$44,966 creating \$9,951 net income for the year.

#### THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

As the Township completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 12 reported a *combined* fund balance of \$461,313, an increase of \$44,965 from the beginning of the year.

The reason for the increase is, in large part, due to Land Purchases budgeted in the amount of \$72,500 and actual expenditures that were only \$6,792.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Over the course of the year, the Township Board made no revisions to the budget.

#### CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal 2007, the Township had \$65,325 invested in a variety of capital assets including land, buildings, and other equipment. (See table 3 below)

Table 3
Capital Assets at Year-End (Net of Depreciation)

Ouplier, nood of the	Governmental Activities - 2007	Governmental Activities - 2005
Land Buildings and improvements Equipment and furnishings	\$ 276 4,875 60,174 \$ 65,325	\$ 276 8,125 91,000 \$ 99,401

#### Debt

At year-end, the Township had \$0 in bonds and notes outstanding. (See Table 4 Below)

	Table 4	
***************************************	Outstanding Debt at Year-End	d
	Governmental Activities - 2007	Governmental Activities - 2005
Long-Term Debt	\$ -	\$ -

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS**

In preparing the Township's budget for the year ending March 31, 2008, we anticipate a normal increase in expenditures being offset by normal increases in revenue.

#### CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Onota Township, E 1461 Deerton-Sands Lake Road, Deerton, Michigan, 49822.

#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

		overnment
	Governmental Activities	Total
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and investments	\$ 441,838	\$ 441,838
Cash and investments - restricted	- 00 700	- 00.700
Receivables (net)	28,799	28,799
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	470,637	470,637
Non-current assets:		
Capital asset - net of accumulated depreciation	65,325	65,325
Total Capital Assets	65,325	65,325
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TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	65,325	65,325
TOTAL ASSETS	535,962	535,962
LIABILITIES:		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	2,748	2,748
Accrued liabilities	6,576	6,576
Deferred revenue	NAV	-
Current portion of loans payable	AN	•
Other current liabilities		-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	9,324	9,324
Non-current Liabilities:		
Loans payable		
TOTAL MON OURDENT LIABILITIES		
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	_
TOTAL LIABILITIES	9,324	9,324
NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets net of related debt	65,325	65,325
Restricted for:	,	,
Debt Service	-	-
Unrestricted	461,313	461,313
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 526,638	\$ 526,638
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Township of Onota, Michigan

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2007

\$ 7,393 \$ - \$ Contributions Capital Charges for Grants and Grants and Services Contributions  \$ 7,393 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$				Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	e) Kevenue in Net Assets
ties:  \$ 7,393 \$						Primary Government	vernment
ties:  \$ 7,393 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$			Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and	Governmental	
seconomic development 4,675 - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ -		enses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Total
d administration 56,169 1,180 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 - 5 -	ry Government:						
\$ 7,393 \$ - \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ . \$ .	ernmental Activities:						
2,492 - 2,492 - 56,169 1,180   sty	4	7,393	. ←		·	\$ (7,393)	\$ (7,393)
sty	Elections	2,492	,	İ	1	(2,492)	(2,492)
37,129     873       45,603     931       4,675     -       300     -       18,726     -       vernmental Activities     172,487       2,984       4,675     -       172,487     2,984	General services and administration	56,169	1,180	į	3	(54,989)	(54,989)
45,603 931  nic development 4,675  18,726  18,726  vernmental Activities 172,487 2,984	Public safety	37,129	873	1	•	(36,256)	(36,256)
nic development 4,675	Public works	45,603	931	*	ì	(44,672)	(44,672)
300 - 18,726 - 172,487 2,984 - 172,487 2,984 - 172,487 2,984	Community and economic development	4,675	•	i	\$	(4,675)	(4,675)
TOTAL DDIMARY GOVERNMENT 172,487 2,984	Recreation and culture	300	1	1	į	(300)	(300)
172,487 2,984	Other Other	18,726	-	6,792		(11,934)	(11,934)
787 787	Total Governmental Activities	172,487	2,984	6,792	(). — ***********************************	(162,711)	(162,711)
100,7	TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	172,487	2,984	6,792	*	(162,711)	(162,711)

General Revenues: Taxes Unrestricted State sources Interest and investment earnings Miscellaneous	158,642 21,265 11,395 6,424
OIAL GENERAL REVENUES AND IRANSFERS CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	35,015
Net assets, beginning of year	491,623

158,642 21,265 11,395 6,424

197,726 35,015

NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR

526,638

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491,623

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

#### BALANCE SHEET

March 31, 2007

		G	Seneral Fund		Fire Fund		Solid Waste Fund	Gov	Total ernmental Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>									
Cash and investments Receivables		\$	282,124	\$	52,453	\$	107,261	\$	441,838
Taxes receivable  Due from other units			3,457 5,134		2,852		2,138		8,447 5,134
Due from other funds			15,218				_		15,218
то	TAL ASSETS		305,933		55,305		109,399		470,637
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE									
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable			_		-		2,748		2,748
Due to other funds Accrued payroll and related Deferred revenue		***************************************	6,576	***************************************		······	-		6,576
TOTAL	LLIABILITIES		6,576		***	,	2,748		9,324
FUND BALANCE:  Reserved for:  Capital outlay			-		-		•		<u></u>
Unreserved: Unreserved			299,357		55,305	***************************************	106,651		461,313
TOTAL FU	ND BALANCE		299,357		55,305	***************************************	106,651		461,313
	BILITIES AND ND BALANCE	\$	305,933	\$	55,305	\$	109,399	\$	470,637

## RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds	\$ 461,313
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds	 65,325
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 526,638

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

	General Fund	Fire Fund	Solid Waste Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:	<del></del>			
Taxes	81,412.00	39,056.00	38,174.00	158,642.00
Licenses and permits	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00
Federal sources	6,792.00	•	•	6,792.00
State sources	23,069.00	•	**	23,069.00
Charges for services	180.00	<b></b>	•	180.00
Interest	11,391.00	4.00	-	11,395.00
Other	5,324.00	1,100.00	-	6,424.00
TOTAL REVENUES	129,168.00	40,160.00	38,174.00	207,502.00
EXPENDITURES:				
Current operations:				
Legislative	7,393.00	-	-	7,393.00
Elections	2,492.00	-	-	2,492.00
General services and administration	56,169.00		-	56,169.00
Public safety	-	27,178.00	-	27,178.00
Public works	17,985.00	-	27,618.00	45,603.00
Community and economic development	4,675.00	-	-	4,675.00
Recreation and culture	300.00	-	-	300.00
Other	18,726.00	-	-	18,726.00
Capital outlay  Debt service	<del>-</del>	<del>.</del> _	<del>"</del> -	<b>~</b>
DOM SOLVIOC				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	107,740.00	27,178.00	27,618.00	162,536.00
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER				
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	21,428.00	12,982.00	10,556.00	44,966.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Transfers in Transfers (out)		<del>-</del>		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING				
SOURCES (USES)		-	_	**
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	21,428.00	12,982.00	10,556.00	44,966.00
Fund balance, beginning of year	277,929.00	42,323.00	96,095.00	416,347.00
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	299,357.00	55,305.00	106,651.00	461,313.00

## RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$	44,966
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:			
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.			
Capital outlays Depreciation expense	6,467 (16,418)		(9,951)
Repayment of loan principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.		***************************************	-
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$	35,015

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

#### STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

		Agency Funds		
ASSETS: Cash and investments		\$	15,218	
	TOTAL ASSETS		15,218	
LIABILITIES:  Due to other funds  Due to others			15,218	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	15,218	

## ONOTA TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2007

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements of the Township have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of these accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Township are described below.

#### (1) REPORTING ENTITY

The Township's financial statements present the Township (the primary government). In evaluating the Township as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting units) for which the Township may or may not be financially accountable and, as such, be includable within the Township's financial statements.

#### (2) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

The Township's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Township as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Township's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. The Township's legislative, public works, public safety, community and economic development, recreation and culture and general services and administration are classified as governmental activities. The Township does not have any business-type activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, both the governmental and business-type activities columns are presented on a consolidated basis by column and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Township's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The Township first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Township's functions and business-type activities. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property, sales and use taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits and charges, etc.) The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must

be directly associated with the function or a business-type activity. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The net costs (by function or business-type activity) are normally covered by general revenue.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Township as an entity and the change in the Township's net assets resulting from the current year's activities. For the most part, the effect of interfund activities has been removed from these statements.

#### (3) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

The financial transactions of the Township are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Township:

#### Governmental Funds:

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Township:

- ▶ General Fund The General Fund is the general operating fund and, accordingly, it is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- **▶ Fire Fund** The Fire Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures relating to fire department (other than those financed by business-type/proprietary funds).
- ➤ Solid Waste Fund The Solid Waste Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures relating to refuse collection (other than those financed by business-type/proprietary funds).

#### Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Township programs. The agency fund is custodial in nature and does not present results of operations or have a measurement focus.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

- ▶ The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- ▶The Fire Fund accounts for the expenditures of the Fire Department.
- ▶ The **Solid Waste Fund** accounts for the expenditures of the Township refuse collection.

The Township's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the Township, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

#### (4) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### Accrual

Both governmental and business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

#### **Modified Accrual**

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when they are both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

#### (5) FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMOUNTS

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** – The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. The Township Supervisor submits to the Township Board of Trustees a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Numerous opportunities exist for public comment during the budget process including at least two formal public hearings conducted at the Township Hall to obtain taxpayer comment.
- c. Pursuant to statute, prior to March 31 of each year the budget for the ensuing year is legally enacted through adoption of an Annual General Appropriations Act.
- d. The general statute governing Township budgetary activity is the State of Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act. In addition to the provisions of the said Act and Board policy, general statements concerning the Board's intent regarding the administration of each year's budget are set out in the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Onota Township Board of Trustees, through policy action, specifically directs the Supervisor not to authorize or participate in any expenditure of funds except as authorized by the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Board recognized that, in addition to possible Board sanctions for willful disregard of this policy, State statutes provide for civil liability for violations of the Annual General Appropriations Act.
- e. The Supervisor is authorized by means of Township policy to maker certain transfers:
  - 1. The Supervisor receives a request for a budget transfer from the head of the department whose budget is to be affected. Such request must specify the necessity for the transfer, the account name and/or group(s) and amount to be affected within prescribed limitations. Transfers in excess of those limitations must be approved by the Board of Trustees.
  - 2. The following considerations must be reviewed in determination of transfer approvals:
    - a. Are the transfers consistent with the intent of the Board of Trustees in adopting the annual budget?
    - b. Will the transfer maintain the financial integrity of the Township?
    - c. Will the transfer provide a reasonable solution to the departmental operating problem?

Considering the above, the Supervisor will then decide whether or not the transfer should be made.

Supplemental appropriations are submitted to and reviewed by the Supervisor and submitted to the Township Board of Trustees for their review and approval. If approved, they are implemented by the Supervisor through a budget revision.

- f. The Onota Township adopts its Annual Budget on a departmental basis. At each level of detail, governmental operations are summarized into expenditure account groups. Funding sources are also identified and adopted at each level of detail. Budgetary control exists at the most detailed level adopted by the Board of Trustees, i.e., department for analytical purposes. A detailed line item breakdown is prepared for each program. Accounting, i.e., classification control, resides at the line item detail level.
- g. Budgets for the General Funds were adopted in substance on an accrual basis which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgeted amounts as reported in the Financial Report are as originally adopted and/or amended by the Township Board of Trustees.

**Cash Equivalents and Investments** – For the purposes of balance sheet classification and the statement of cash flows, cash and equivalents consist of demand deposits, cash in savings, money market accounts and short-term certificates of deposit with original maturity of three months or less. Investments are carried at fair value.

**Capital Assets** – Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g. streets, bridges, and sidewalks), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of five years.

All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their fair value on the date donated. Depreciation on all exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against their operations in government-wide statements and proprietary financial statements. Accumulated depreciation is reported on government-wide and proprietary statement of net assets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Land improvements	15 years
Building, structures and improvements	40 years
Equipment	5-10 years
Water and Sewage System	20-50 years
Vehicles	5 years
Infrastructure	20-50 years

**Long-Term Liabilities** — In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities and business-type activities or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

**Estimates** – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting of certain assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. Actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

**Property Taxes** – Property taxes are levied as of December 1 of each year and are due by the last day of the following March. The taxes are collected by the local unit and periodically remitted to the third parties during the collection period.

**Deferred Revenues** – Deferred revenues are those where asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met.

Interfund Activity – Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a result of the reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

#### NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS:

#### Cash Equivalents

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments for both the unrestricted and restricted assets for the primary government from the Statement of Net Assets:

	Primary Government	Fiduciary Funds	Total
Unrestricted:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$441,838	\$15,218	\$457,056
Investments	•	-	_
~	441,838	15,218	457,056
Restricted:			
Cash and cash equivalents	<u></u>	-	-
Investments	-		-
	•	-	-
TOTALS	\$441,838	\$ 15,218	\$457,056

#### NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued):

#### Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. State law does not require and the Township does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The carrying amounts of the primary government and fiduciary fund's deposits with financial institutions were \$371,450 and the bank balance was \$343,320. The bank balance is categorized as follows:

Amount insured by the FDIC or uncollateralized with securities held be Township in its name	y the	\$ 200,000
Amount collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial instrust department in the Township's name:	stitutions	
Collateralized and uninsured		143,320
	TOTAL	\$ 343,320

#### Investments

As of March 31, 2007, the Township did not have any investments.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of the Township's investments. The Township does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

Michigan statutes (Act 196, PA 1997) authorize the Township to invest in bonds, other direct obligations and repurchase agreements of the United States, certificates of deposits, savings accounts, deposit accounts or receipts of a bank which is a member of the FDIC and authorized to operate in this state, commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and matures within 270 days from date of purchase, bankers' acceptances of the United States banks, obligations of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions, external investment pools, and certain mutual funds. Michigan law prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bond, or another form for the deposit of public money.

The Township has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. The Township's investments are rated as noted above. Ratings are not required for the Township's investment in equity-type funds. The Township's investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Township places no limit on the amount the Township may invest in any one issuer.

#### NOTE C - INTERFUND BALANCES:

A summary of interfund receivable and payables are:

		Due To Other Funds				
		General Fund	Total			
le From ler Funds	Fiduciary Funds	\$ 15,218	\$ 15,218			
Due Fr	Total	\$ 15,218	\$ 15,218			
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#### **NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS:**

A summary of the capital assets of the Governmental Activities is as follows:

	Balance at April 1, 2006		Additi	Disposals		M	nce at arch 2007	
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:			-		***************************************			
Land	\$	276	\$	-	\$	_	\$	276
Total Capital Assets, not being								
depreciated		276						276
Buildings and improvements	2	35,000		-		-		235,000
Furniture and equipment	2	25,000	6	,467		_		231,467
Total Capital Assets,								
being depreciated	4	60,000	6	,467		_		466,467
Less Accumulated Depreciation:			***************************************					
Buildings and improvements	(22	28,500)	(1,6	325)		-	(2	30,125)
Furniture and equipment	(1	56,500)	(14,	793)		-	(1	71,293)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(38	35,000)	(16,4	418)		-	(4	01,418)
Governmental Activities Capital								
Assets, Net _	\$	75,276	\$ (9,	951)_	\$	<b>.</b>	\$	65,325

Depreciation expenses for governmental activities were charged to the following functions and activities of the primary government:

**Public Safety** 

<u>\$16,418</u>

#### **NOTE E – PROPERTY TAXES:**

The Local Governmental Unit property tax is levied on each December 1<sup>st</sup> on the taxable valuation of property (as defined by State statutes) located in the Local Governmental Unit as of the preceding December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Although the Local Governmental Unit 2006 ad valorem tax is levied and collectible on December 1, 2006, it is the Local Governmental Unit's policy to recognize revenue from the current tax levy in the current year when the proceeds of this levy are budgeted and made "available" for the financing of operations. "Available" means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period (60) days.

#### NOTE E - PROPERTY TAXES (Continued):

The 2006 taxable valuation of the Local Governmental Unit totaled \$26,963,992, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 2.4673 mills for the Local Governmental Unit operation purposes, 1.4027 mills for the Local Fire Department and 1.4027 mills for the Local Refuse Collection. These amounts are recognized in the General Fund, Fire Fund and Solid Waste Fund financial statements as revenue.

#### NOTE F - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

<u>Risk Management</u> - The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township has obtained commercial insurance to handle its risk of loss.

#### NOTE G - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN:

The Township has a defined contribution retirement plan through Municipal Retirement Systems, Inc., covering all elected and appointed officials, whom are at least 18 years of age. The Township's contributions for all funds amounted to \$4,852 for the year ended March 31, 2007.

The Township's share of the premium due under the policy is computed as 2% of total wages. Each plan participant is 100% vested upon entering the plan.

#### **NOTE H - BUDGET VIOLATIONS:**

Public Act 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1), as amended, provides that a Township shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. In the body of the financial statements, the Township's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures have been shown on an activity/program level.

The following funds activity/program had excess expenditures over appropriations at March 31, 2007.

Fund	Final	Actual	
Activity/Program	Amended Budget	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General:			
Treasurer	\$13,600	\$13,757	\$157

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

REVENUES:         Total pair         Enal pair         GAAP (Negative) (Negative)           Taxes         \$ 70,597         \$ 70,597         \$ 81,412         \$ 10,815           Licenses and permits         1,000         1,000         1,000         6,792         6,792           State sources         24,873         24,873         23,099         (1,804)           Charges for services         545         545         545         1,812         8,391           Other revenues         3,000         3,000         11,391         8,391           Other revenues         100,015         100,015         129,168         29,153           EXPENDITURES:         TOTAL REVENUES         8         7,392         1,007           Elections         3,350         8,400         7,393         1,007           Elections         3,350         3,515         6,169         31,106           Public safety         21,500         87,275         56,169         31,106           Public works         21,500         8,070         4,675         3,395           Recreation and culture         286,695         286,695         107,740         178,955           Other         TOTAL EXPENDITURES         286,695         <			Dudantod	Am	ou mto	Actual GAAP	ariance with inal Budget
REVENUES:           Taxes         \$ 70,597         \$ 70,597         \$ 81,412         \$ 10,815           Licenses and permits         1,000         1,000         1,000         -           Federal sources         2,6792         6,792         6,792         6,792         6,792         State sources         24,873         24,873         23,069         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,904)         (1,904)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,804)         (1,904)         <				Ame			Positive (Negative)
Licenses and permits	REVENUES:	***************************************		***************************************		 	 (r.ogao)
Federal sources		\$	· ·	\$		\$	\$ 10,815
State sources   24,873   24,873   23,069   (1,804)	•		1,000		1,000		-
Charges for services Interest and rents         545 (365) and 3,000         545 (365) and 11,391         8,391 (365) and 11,391         1,007 (365) and 1,007 (365)					-	•	•
Interest and rents					•	•	
Other revenues         -         5,324         5,324           TOTAL REVENUES         100,015         100,015         129,168         29,153           EXPENDITURES:           Legislative         8,400         8,400         7,393         1,007           Elections         3,350         3,350         2,492         858           General services and administration         87,275         56,169         31,106           Public safety         -         -         -         -           Public works         21,500         21,500         17,985         3,515           Community and economic development         8,070         8,070         4,675         3,395           Recreation and culture         12,000         12,000         300         11,700           Other         146,100         146,100         18,726         127,374           TOTAL EXPENDITURES         286,695         286,695         107,740         178,955           EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):           Transfers in (out)         -         -         -	<del>-</del>						
EXPENDITURES:   Legislative			- -		3,000		 •
Legislative	TOTAL REVENUES		100,015		100,015	 129,168	 29,153
Secretarions   Secr	EXPENDITURES:						
General services and administration         87,275         87,275         56,169         31,106           Public safety         -         -         -         -           Public works         21,500         21,500         17,985         3,515           Community and economic development         8,070         8,070         4,675         3,395           Recreation and culture         12,000         12,000         300         11,700           Other         146,100         146,100         18,726         127,374           TOTAL EXPENDITURES         286,695         286,695         107,740         178,955           EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):           Transfers in (out)         - <td>Legislative</td> <td></td> <td>8,400</td> <td></td> <td>8,400</td> <td>7,393</td> <td>1,007</td>	Legislative		8,400		8,400	7,393	1,007
Public safety         -         <			3,350		3,350		•
Public works         21,500         21,500         17,985         3,515           Community and economic development Recreation and culture Other         8,070         8,070         4,675         3,395           Recreation and culture Other         12,000         12,000         300         11,700           Other         146,100         146,100         18,726         127,374           EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,689)         286,695         107,740         178,955           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)         -			87,275		87,275	56,169	31,106
Community and economic development Recreation and culture         8,070         8,070         4,675         3,395           Recreation and culture         12,000         12,000         300         11,700           Other         146,100         146,100         18,726         127,374           TOTAL EXPENDITURES         286,695         286,695         107,740         178,955           EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):           Transfers in (out)         -	•		21 500		21 500	17 085	2 515
Recreation and culture					,	•	•
Other         146,100         146,100         18,726         127,374           TOTAL EXPENDITURES         286,695         286,695         107,740         178,955           EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):         -			'			•	•
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)	Other		•				
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES         (186,680)         (186,680)         21,428         208,108           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)         - <td>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</td> <td></td> <td>286,695</td> <td></td> <td>286,695</td> <td> 107,740</td> <td> 178,955</td>	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		286,695		286,695	 107,740	 178,955
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)   TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)   CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE  (186,680)  (186,680)  (186,680)  21,428  208,108  Fund balance, beginning of year  277,929  277,929  -	EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER						
Transfers in (out)         -	(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(186,680)		(186,680)	 21,428	 208,108
SOURCES (USES)         -	` ,		*			 ***	 -
Fund balance, beginning of year <u>277,929</u> <u>277,929</u> <u>-</u>						 	 
	CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(186,680)		(186,680)	21,428	208,108
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR \$ 91,249 \$ 91,249 \$ 299,357 \$ 208,108	Fund balance, beginning of year		277,929	<del>zoaranimini</del>	277,929	277,929	 NA.
	FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	91,249	\$	91,249	\$ 299,357	\$ 208,108

#### FIRE FUND

#### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

		Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:	œ.	25.044	•	25.044	•	20.050	œ	2 045
Taxes State sources	\$	35,841	\$	35,841	\$	39,056	\$	3,215
Charges for services		-		_		-		
Interest and rents		2		2		4		2
Other revenues		2,650		2,650		1,100		(1,550)
								( / /
TOTAL REVENUES		38,493		38,493		40,160	<del></del>	1,667
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative		-		-		-		-
Elections		-		-		-		-
General services and administration		<del>-</del>		-				-
Public safety		44,655		44,655		27,178		17,477
Public works		_		•		-		-
Community and economic development Recreation and culture		-		-		₩		<del></del>
Other		_		_		-	***************************************	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	44,655		44,655		27,178		17,477
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(6,162)		(6,162)		12,982		19,144
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)								<u>.</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		**		<del>-</del>		<b>m</b>		·
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(6,162)		(6,162)		12,982		19,144
Fund balance, beginning of year		42,323	***************************************	42,323		42,323		<b></b>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	36,161	\$	36,161	\$	55,305	\$	19,144

#### SOLID WASTE

#### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

		Budgeted Original	ed Amounts Final		Actual GAAP Basis		Fina P	ance with I Budget ositive egative)
REVENUES:								
Taxes	\$	35,751	\$	35,751	\$	38,174	\$	2,423
State sources		•		-		-		<del>-</del>
Charges for services		-		-		-		
Interest and rents		•		-		-		-
Other revenues		-		<del>-</del>		-		
TOTAL REVENUES		35,751		35,751		38,174		2,423
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative		-		-		-		-
Elections		-		÷		~		-
General services and administration		-		-		-		-
Public safety		-		-		-		****
Public works		80,508		80,508		27,618		52,890
Community and economic development		-		-				
Recreation and culture		-				-		-
Other	***************************************			<del></del>		-		-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		80,508		80,508		27,618	***************************************	52,890
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(44,757)		(44,757)		10,556		55,313
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in (out)		-	***************************************					en e
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		-						***
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(44,757)		(44,757)		10,556		55,313
Fund balance, beginning of year		96,095		96,095		96,095	,	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	51,338	\$	51,338	\$	106,651	\$	55,313

## Other Supplemental Information

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

REVENUES:		<u> </u>	Final Budget		Actual GAAP Basis	Fin F	iance with al Budget Positive legative)
Taxes: Current levy Delinquent taxes Commercial forest reser		\$	46,216 16,671	\$	63,536 3,049 5,572	\$	17,320 (13,622) 5,572
Swamp tax Tax collection fees		***************************************	1,474 6,236	·	1,474 7,781	***************************************	(0) 1,545
	Total Taxes		70,597		81,412		10,815
Licenses and Permits Building Permits			1,000	***************************************	1,000		_
	Total Licenses and Permits		1,000		1,000		
Federal Sources: Federal Grants			Na.		6,792	***************************************	6,792
	Total Federal Sources	·····	***		6,792		6,792
State Sources: State revenue sharin State annual mainter State Grants	<del></del>		24,000 - 873		21,265 931 873	****	(2,735) 931 
	Total State Sources		24,873		23,069		(1,804)
Charges for Services: Miscellaneous		William	545		180	***************************************	(365)
	Total Charges for Services	***************************************	545_		180	***************************************	(365)
Interest and Rents: Interest Rents		One service of the se	3,000	×	11,391	(ACCURATION CONTRACTOR AND	8,391 
	Total Interest and Rents	***************************************	3,000	and the same and t	11,391	***************************************	8,391

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Other Revenues: Miscellaneous other		\$ -	\$ 5,324	\$ 5,324
	Total Other Revenues	_	5,324	5,324
	TOTAL REVENUES	100,015	129,168	22,361
EXPENDITURES: LEGISLATIVE: Board of Commissioners	<b>S</b> :			
Personnel services		5,000	4,800	200
Supplies		2,200	1,817	383
Other services and cha	arges	1,200	776	424
	TOTAL LEGISLATIVE	8,400	7,393	1,007
ELECTIONS:				
Personnel services		1,500	1,205	295
Supplies		300	198	102
Other services and cha	arges TOTAL ELECTIONS	<u>1,550</u> 3,350	1,089 2,492	<u>461</u> 858
GENERAL SERVICES AN Supervisor:	ND ADMINISTRATION:			
Personnel services		7,300	7,200	100
Supplies		4.500		- 045
Other services and cha	arges Total Supervisor	1,500 8,800	885 8,085	615 715
	rotal Supervisor	0,000	0,000	713
Assessor: Personnel services		10,200	10,500	(300)
Supplies		1,050	918	132
Other services and cha	arges	1,950	111	1,839
	Total Assessor	13,200	11,529	1,671
Clerk:				
Personnel services		7,800	8,070	(270)
Supplies		300	42	258
Other services and cha		2,000	752	1,248
	Total Clerk	10,100	8,864	1,236
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#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Final Budget	G	Actual BAAP Basis	Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive egative)
Board of Review: Personnel services	\$	1,200	\$	945	\$	255
Supplies	Φ	1,200	Ψ	<del>34</del> 0 -	Ψ	255 25
Other services and charges		1,950		448		1,502
Total Board of Review		3,175	***************************************	1,393		1,782
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Treasurer:						
Personnel services		8,700		9,320		(620)
Supplies		3,400		3,191		`209 <sup>°</sup>
Other services and charges		1,500		1,246		254
Total Treasurer		13,600	***************************************	13,757		(157)
Township Hall and Grounds:						
Personnel services		1,400		1,400		-
Supplies		10,500		3,659		6,841
Other services and charges		15,000		5,040		9,960
Total Township Hall and Grounds		26,900		10,099		16,801
Attorney						
Other services and charges		7,500		1,250	***************************************	6,250
Total Attorney		7,500		1,250		6,250
Cemetery:						
Personnel services		1,000		1,000		<del>-</del>
Supplies		3,000		192		2,808
Other services and charges	***************************************		<u>,</u>			
Total Cemetery	***************************************	4,000	***************************************	1,192	***************************************	2,808
TOTAL GENERAL SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATION		87,275		56,169		31,106
PUBLIC SAFETY:						
Police Department:						
Personnel services		<del></del>				-
Supplies						_
Other services and charges		-		<b>+</b>		-
Total Police Department		-		-		
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY			•	**		AM
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#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
PUBLIC WORKS:			
Streets:		<b>6</b> 40.004	e 2220
Other services and charges  Total Streets	\$ 20,000 20,000	\$ 16,661 16,661	\$ 3,339 3,339
Total Streets	20,000	10,001	3,338
Streetlights:			
Other services and charges	1,500	1,324	176
Total Refuse Collection	1,500	1,324	176
	***************************************		
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	21,500	17,985	3,515
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:			
Planning and Zoning Commission:			
Personnel services	3,520	2,842	678
Supplies	400	165	235
Other services and charges	4,150	1,668	2,482
Total Planning and Zoning Commission	8,070	4,675	3,395
TOTAL COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC			
DEVELOPMENT	8,070	4,675	3,395
RECREATION AND CULTURE:			
Parks and Recreation:			
Personnel services	<b></b>	-	-
Supplies Other services and charges	12,000	300	11,700
Total Parks and Recreation	12,000	300	11,700
TOTAL RECREATION AND CULTURE	12,000	300	11,700
OTHER: Fringe Benefits:			
Social security	2,100	2,248	(148)
Retirement	5,000	4,852	148
Total Fringe Benefits	7,100	7,100	

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		***************************************	Final Budget		Actual GAAP Basis	Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive Negative)
Insurance and bonds Capital outlay Miscellaneous	TOTAL OTHER	\$	5,000 72,500 61,500 146,100	\$	4,834 6,792 - 18,726	\$	166 65,708 61,500 127,374
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES ESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$	286,695 (186,680)	\$	107,740 21,428	\$	178,955 201,316
OTHER FINANCING SO Loan proceeds Transfers (Out): Fire Fund	URCES (USES):	\$		_\$		\$	
Tota	l Operating Transfers (Out)	Water Marketon		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	-		
TOTAL OTHER FINA	NCING SOURCES (USES)		_		<del>-</del>		
CHA	ANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(186,680)		21,428		201,316
Fund balance, beginning	of year		277,929		277,929		
FUND	BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	91,249	\$	299,357	\$	201,316

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FIRE FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

	Final Amende Budge			Actual GAAP Basis	Final Po	nce With Budget sitive gative)
REVENUES:						
Property Taxes Current Property Taxes	\$	26,274	\$	35,717	\$	9,443
Delinquent Property Taxes	Ψ	9,567	Ψ	2,852	Ψ	(6,715)
Commercial Forest Reserve		-		487		487
Total Property Taxes		35,841		39,056	-	3,215
		•				
Interest		2		4 400		2
Other Revenue	***************************************	2,650		1,100		(1,550)
TOTAL REVENUES		38,493		40,160	<u></u>	1,667
EXPENDITURES:						
Public Safety						
Personnel Services		7,220		4,796		2,424
Supplies Other Services and Charges		7,100 30,335		5,282 17,100		1,818
Capital Outlay		30,333		17,100		_
Total Public Safety		44,655	***************************************	27,178		4,242
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES		44,655	***************************************	27,178		4,242
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER						
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(6,162)		12,982		(2,575)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers in		-				-
Transfers (out)				_		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE		(6,162)		12,982		(2,575)
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Fund balance, beginning of year	30-40-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00	42,323		42,323		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	36,161	\$	55,305	\$	(2,575)

## MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SOLID WASTE

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

	Final Amended Budget		Actual GAAP Basis		Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:						
Property Taxes Current Property Taxes Delinquent Property Taxes Commercial Forest Reserve	\$	26,274 9,477	\$	35,717 2,348 109	\$	9,443 (7,129) 109
Total Property Taxes		35,751		38,174		2,423
Other revenue			***************************************		***************************************	
TOTAL REVENUES		35,751		38,174		2,423
EXPENDITURES: Public Works						
Other Services and Charges		30,000		27,535		2,465
Closure Costs	-	50,508		83		50,425
Total Public Works		80,508		27,618		52,890
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		80,508		27,618		52,890
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(44,757)		10,556		55,313
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in		_		_		_
Transfers (out)		_		<u></u>		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				-		-
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE		(44,757)		10,556		55,313
Fund balance, beginning of year		96,095	·····	96,095		-
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	51,338	\$	106,651	\$	55,313

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

#### COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

	•	Trust and Agency Fund	Tax llection Fund	Total
ASSETS Cash and investments Due from other funds	\$	15,136 -	\$ 82	\$ 15,218 
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	15,136	\$ 82	\$ 15,218
LIABILITIES  Due to other funds  Due to others	\$	15,136	\$ 82	\$ 15,218 
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	15,136	\$ 82	\$ 15,218

## COMPLIANCE SUPPLEMENTS

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Onota Township, Michigan E. 1461 Deerton-Sand Lake Rd. Deerton, Michigan 49822

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Onota, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Township of Onota, Michigan's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 20, 2007. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing and opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assign functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affect the Township of Onota, Michigan's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Township of Onota, Michigan's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying report to management to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting as items 07-01.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control.

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Onota Township, Michigan

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Onota, Michigan's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Governmental Auditing Standards* and are described in the accompanying report to management as items 07-2.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Township Board of Trustees, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

September 20, 2007

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#### Township of Onota, Michigan

Report to Management Letter For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board Township of Onota, Michigan PO BOX 100 Deerton, MI 49822

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Onota, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Onota, Michigan's internal control.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or a combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified the following deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

#### 07-01 - FINANCIAL REPORTING CYCLE

**Condition/Criteria:** The monthly and year end financial reporting package as presented to the Board of Trustees is not fully compliant with generally accepted accounting principles. The general ledger is recorded on the cash basis of accounting and not on the modified-accrual basis of accounting.

Effect: Because the accruals are not being record in the general ledger until after the audit, the financial statements are not compliant with generally accepted accounting principles.

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board Township of Onota, Michigan

Cause of Condition: Failure to record accruals in the general ledger.

Recommendation: We suggest that monthly and at year end, all accruals are recorded in the general ledger.

#### **Management Response – Corrective Action Plan:**

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - o Nancy Bennett, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - The Township is planning on starting to record accruals on a monthly basis in the coming fiscal year.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2008

#### **INSTANCE OF NON-COMPLIANCE**

#### 07-02 (REPEATED) - UNIFORM BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING ACT (PA621)

**Condition/Criteria:** Public Act 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1) as amended, provides that townships shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. In the body of the financial statements, the Township of Onota, Michigan had actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds have been shown on a functional basis. The approved budgets of these funds were adopted on an activity and/or program level. During the year ended March 31, 2007, the Township of Onota, Michigan incurred functional expenditures which were in excess of the amounts appropriated as shown within the basic financial statements.

Effect: The Township of Onota, Michigan is not in compliance with State Law.

Cause of Condition: Failure to amend the budgets during the year based on the level of expenditures.

**Recommendation:** The Township of Onota, Michigan should strictly control expenditures in each governmental fund so as not to exceed the original appropriation. When this is not possible, the budget should be amended accordingly.

#### Management Response - Corrective Action Plan:

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - Nancy Bennett, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - The budget will be more closely monitored and budget amendments will be made accordingly.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2008

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the management, audit committee, Township of Onota, Michigan Board of Trustees, and others within the organization, and is not intended to be and should not be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We appreciate and would like to thank the Township of Onota, Michigan's staff for the cooperation and courtesy extended to us during our audit. We would be pleased to discuss any comments or answer any questions regarding our audit with you at your convenience.

Anderson, Tackman + Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants September 20, 2007 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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Honorable Supervisor and Township Board Township of Onota, Michigan PO Box 100 Deerton, MI 49822

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Onota, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated September 20, 2007. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

#### Our Responsibility under Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

As we stated in our engagement letter dated April 23, 2007, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the internal control structure of the Township. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

#### Significant Accounting Policies

Management is responsible for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement, we will advise management of the appropriateness of the accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies adopted by the Township are described in Footnote A to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2006/2007. We noted no transactions entered into by the Township during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

#### **Accounting Estimates**

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. These estimates are relatively insignificant in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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Honorable Supervisor and Township Board Township of Onota, Michigan

#### **Audit Adjustments**

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a significant audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgment, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. An audit adjustment may or may not indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township's financial reporting process (that is, cause future financial statements to be materially misstated). In our judgment, none of the adjustments we proposed, whether recorded or unrecorded by the Township, either individually or in the aggregate, indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township's financial reporting process.

#### Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether significant or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### Consultation with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about accounting and auditing matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principal to the government unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion to be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to advise us to determine the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

#### Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Township's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in the performance of our audit.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Township Board of Commissioners and management of the Township of Onota, Michigan and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Tackman & Cempany, PLC Certified Public Accountants

September 20, 2007